ORDINANCE 2021-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA, PLACING THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND MAKING THE SAME A PART OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN

MANN BROTHERS SUPER-VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION

WHEREAS, the Town Council ("Council") of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana ("Town" or "Whitestown") received a petition ("Petition") requesting that certain territory generally located at the northeast corner of Albert S. White Drive and County Road 450 East, as hereinafter described ("Annexation Territory"), be annexed by Whitestown; and

WHEREAS, the Petition has been signed by the owner (i.e, 100%) of the property within the Annexation Territory; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it desirable and in the best interest of the Town to annex the Annexation Territory; and

WHEREAS, a legal description and drawing of the Annexation Territory are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit</u> A and Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, where the legal description attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> describes land that is contiguous to a public highway right-of-way that has not previously been annexed, the Annexation Territory shall include the contiguous public highway right-of-way even if it is not described in <u>Exhibit A</u>, except to the extent prohibited by I.C. § 36-4-3-1.5(c); and

WHEREAS, where the parcel of property within the Annexation Territory is adjacent to a parcel of property within the existing Town limits, the Annexation Territory boundary shall conform to and match the boundary of the existing Town limits so long as it does not result in adding or removing parcels of property from the Annexation Territory depicted in Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the Annexation Territory consists of approximately 2.08 acres, and is contiguous to the existing Town limits; and

WHEREAS, prior to adoption of this Ordinance, the Council, by resolution, will have adopted a written fiscal plan and definite policy for the provision of services of both a non-capital and capital nature to the Annexation Territory that meets the requirements of I.C. § 36-4-3; and

WHEREAS, the terms and conditions of this annexation, including the written fiscal plan, are fairly calculated to make the annexation fair and equitable to property owners and residents of the Annexation Territory and of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town has further determined that the Annexation Territory is needed and can be used by Whitestown for its development in the reasonably near future; and

WHEREAS, prior to the final adoption of this Ordinance, the Town will have conducted a public hearing pursuant to proper notice issued as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the Annexation pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance is fair and equitable and should be accomplished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, as follows:

- 1. The above recitals including <u>Exhibit A</u> and <u>Exhibit B</u> are incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth herein below.
- 2. In accordance with I.C. § 36-4-3-5.1 and other applicable laws, the Annexation Territory is hereby annexed to the Town and thereby included within its corporate boundaries pursuant to the terms of this Ordinance.
- 3. The Annexation Territory is assigned to Council District No. 1.
- 4. The Annexation Territory shall maintain its current zoning classification(s) and designation(s) until such time the Town updates its respective comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance, or zoning map.
- 5. Some or all of the property within the Annexation Territory is currently classified as agricultural for tax purposes. As may be contemplated by I.C. § 36-4-3-4.1, Whitestown anticipates that the real property will be treated as exempt from property tax liability under I.C. § 6-1.1 for "municipal purposes" unless/until the land is reclassified under assessment rules and guidelines of the DLGF.

As fire protection services are not uniquely a municipal service, and Whitestown already provides fire protection service to unincorporated Worth Township, including the Annexation Territory, and as agreed by the property owner, the fire tax levy for the Annexation Territory is not to be considered "property tax liability under I.C. § 6-1.1 for municipal purposes." The Annexation Territory will therefore not be exempt from property tax liability for fire protection purposes (e.g., the fire tax levy) even while the Annexation Territory remains classified as agricultural.

- 6. All prior Ordinances or parts thereof that may be inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded. The paragraphs, sentences, words, and Annexation Territory of this Ordinance are separable, and if a court of competent jurisdiction hereof declares any portion of this Ordinance or the Annexation Territory unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the remaining portions of the Annexation Territory or this Ordinance.
- 7. The effective date of this annexation shall be as soon as allowed by law following its adoption, execution, and publication as required by law.

	Introduced on March 10, 2021, and adopted	by the Town	Council of the	Town of Whitestown	Indiana,
on	, 2021, by a vote of	in favor and	lagainst.		

[Signature Page Follows]

	THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA	
	Clinton Bohm, President	
ATTEST:		
Matt Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer Town of Whitestown, Indiana		

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law.

Stephen C. Unger

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EXHIBIT A

PARCEL A LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The Land referred to herein below is situated in the County of Boone, State of Indiana, and is described as follows:

PARCEL 1:

A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH RANGE 1 EAST, IN WORTH TOWNSHIP, BOONE COUNTY INDIANA MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE AFORESAID TRACT, PROCEED THENCE NORTHERLY WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID TRACT (ASSUMING THE BEARING OF SAID LINE TO THE NORTH O DEGREES EAST) FOR A DISTANCE OF 125.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 188.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, PROCEED NORTH O DEGREES EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 135.00 FEET THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST FOR A DISTANCE OF 159.98 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0 DEGREES WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 135.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 159.98 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.4958 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

PARCEL 2:

ALSO FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE AFORESAID TRACT, PROCEED THENCE NORTHERLY WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID TRACT FOR A DISTANCE OF 125.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING CONTINUE THENCE NORTHERLY WITH SAID WEST LINE FOR A DISTANCE OF 135.00 FEET; THENCE DEFLECT RIGHT 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 30 SECONDS FOR A DISTANCE OF 188.50 FEET; THENCE DEFLECT RIGHT 90 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 30 SECONDS FOR A DISTANCE OF 135.00 FEET; THENCE DEFLECT RIGHT 89 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 30 FOR A DISTANCE OF 188.50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.584 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND BEING SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR AN COUNTRY ROAD ON AND ALONG THE ENTIRE WESTERNMOST BOUNDARY.

PARCEL B LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST, LOCATED IN WORTH TOWNSHIP, BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 18 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST; RUN THENCE NORTH 125 FEET; THENCE EAST 348.48 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 125 FEET: THENCE WEST 348.48 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1 ACRE, MORE OR LESS.

EXHIBIT B

